Nine notable PROPHESIES:

Wonderfully predicted, and now partly come to passe and effected in these present yeares of calamitie, in this Climate.

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Being all full of wonderfull and admirable events: and lately fulfilled, even to this preſent yeare 1644.

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A Prediction of K. RICHARD the Third.

IN the Reigne of King *Richard* the Third, his Majesty w
his Army lay at Leicester the night before the battell
Bosworth Field was fought. It happened in the morni
as the King rode through the South-gate a poore old bli
man (by profession a Wheel-wright) sat begging, and he
ring of his approach, said, that if the Moon changed twice that day,
ving by her ordinary course changed in the morning, King *Richard* shou
lose his Crowne, and be slaine; and riding over the bridge his left fo
struck against a stump of wood, which the old man hearing, said, E
so shall his head at his returne backe hit on the same place, which so ca
to passe: And a Nobleman that carried the Moone for his Colours,
volted from King *Richard*, whereby he lost that day his Life, Crown
Kingdome; which verified the presages of that poor old blinde man.

The Propheſie of *Shiptons* VVife in the time of Kin; *HENRIE* the Eight.

Note, that this Propheſie was never exactly printed before.

VVHen she heard that King *Henry* the Eight should be King, and C
dinall *Wolsey* should be at Yorke, she said that Cardinall *W*
should never come to Yorke, which the King and the Cardinall hea
being angry, sent the Duke of Suffolke and the Lord *Darcy* to her,
came with their men disguised to the Kings house neare Yorke, w
leaving their men they went to Mr. *Besly* to Yorke, and desired him to
with them to Mother *Shiptons* house, where when they came they k
ked at the doore, she said come in Mr. *Besly*, and those honourable
with you, and Mr. *Besly* would have put in the Lords before him
she said come in Mr. *Besly*, you know the way, but they doe not.
they thought strange that she should know them and never saw them
they went into the house, where there was a great fire, and she bad
welcome, calling them all by their names, and sent for some Cak
Ale, and they dranke and were very merry. Mother *Shipton*, sa
Duke, if you knew what we came about, you would not bid us so
come: she said the messenger should not be hang'd: Mother *Shi*
the Duke, you said the Cardinall should never see Yorke; yea sa
said he might see Yorke, but never come at it. But said the Duke,
he comes to Yorke thou shalt be burned: we shall see that, said she

king her hankercheffe off her head she threw it into the fire, and it
ld not burne: then she tooke her staffe and turned it into the fire, and
ould not burne: then she tooke it and put it on againe. Then said the
ke, what meane you by this; she replied, if this had burned, I might
e burned.

Mother *Shipton* (quoth the Duke) what think you of me? My Lord, said (a) The Duke was afterward beheaded.
the time will come (a) you will be as low as I am, and that is a low
indeed.

My Lord *Piercy* said, and what say you of me? My Lord, said shee, (b) This proved true, for he rose in rebellion in the North, and by not flying when he might he was taken and beheaded at York, where his body was buried, but his head was stolne away and carried into France temp. Eliz. R.
oe your horse in the quick, and you will doe well, but your (b) body
l be buried in Yorke pavement, and your head shall be stolne from
Barre and carried into France: At which they all laughed, saying,
would be a great lop between the head and the body. Then said the
d *Darcy*, and what thinke you of me? She said, you have made a
at Gun shoot it off, for it will never doe you no good; you are going
wai, you will paine many a man, but kill none: So they went away.

Not long after the Cardinall came to Cawood, and going to the top
the Tower, He asked, where stands Yorke, and how far it was thither?
d said that one said he should never see Yorke; nay, said one, she said
u might see Yorke, but never come at it. He vowed to burne her when
came to Yorke. Then they shewed him Yorke, and told him it was
8 miles thence; he said that he would soone be there; but being sent
by the King, he died in his way to London, at Leicester of a laske.

d *Shiptons* wife said to Mr. *Beasley*, yonder is a fine stall built for the
rdinall in the Minster, of gold, pearle, and pretious stones, goe and
d present one of the pillars to King *Henry*; and he did so.

Mr. *Besley* seeing these things fall out as she had foretold, desired her
tell him some more of her Prophesies. Mr. *Besly* said she, before that
Ows Bridge and Trinity Church meet, they shall build on the day, (c) This came to passe, for Trinity steeple in Yorke was blown downe
d it shall fall in the night, untill they get the highest stone of Trinity
urch, to be the lowest stone of Ows Bridge.

a tempest, and Owse bridge was broken downe with a great flood; and what they did in repairing the
ge in the day time with the stone of the steeple, fell downe in the night, untill they (remembring this Pro-
e) laid the highest stone of the steeple for the foundation of the bridge, and then the worke stood. And by
was partly verified another of Mother Shipptons Prophesies (viz.) That her maid should live to drive her
over Trinity steeple.

Then the day will come when the North shall rue it wondrous sore,
that South shall rue it for evermore; when hares kinnel on cold hearth
stones, and lads shall marry Ladies and bring them home, then shall (d) Supposed to be meant by suppression of Abbies and other Religi.
u have a yeare of pining hunger, and then a dearth without corne, a
ofull day shall be seen in England, a King and a Queen.

houses. And at the Lord *William Howards* house at Naworth, a Hare came and kinled in his Kitchin up-
on the hearth.

The first comming of the (e) King of Scots shall be at Holgate Town but he shall not come through the Bar, and when the King (f) of th North shall be at London, his tayle shall be at Edenborough.

(e) This was fulfilled in K. Iames his comming in, for such a multitude of people stood at Holgate bar to behold him, as that to avoid the preasse, he was forced to ride by ano ther way. (f) When King *Iames* was at London, his children were at Edenborough, preparing to come i to England.

After this shall water (g) come over Owse bridge, and a windmill sha be set on a tower; and an elm-tree shall lye at every mans doore, at th time women shall weare great hats and great bands.

(g) This is verified by the conducting of water into Yorke streets through boared Elmes: And the Conduit house hath a Windemill on the top that drawes t the water.

And when there is a Lord Major (h) at Yorke, let him beware of stabbe.

(h) A Lord Major whose house was in the Minster-yard in Yorke, was killed with three stabs.

When two Knights (i) shall fall out in the Castle-yard, they shall neve be kindly all their lives after.

(i) Sir Tho. Wentworth & Sir John Savil in choosing Knights for the Shire in the Castle yard in Yorke, did so fall out, that they were never after w reconciled.

When all Colton (k) hag hath borne crops of Corne, seven years after you shall heare newes, there shall two Judges (l) goe in and out Walmgate Bar.

(k) Colton hag in her time was a Wood land ground full of trees, which bore corn seven years, and the seventh year after that was the year of the comming of the Scots, and their taking of Newcastle. (l) In the yeare 16. two Judges of Assize went out at a gate Yorke, where never any Judges were knowne to goe out before or since.

Then Wars shall begin in the Spring,
Much woe to England *it shall bring:*
Then shall the Ladies cry well away,
That ever we liv'd to see this day.

Then best for them that have the least, and worst for them that ha the most: you shall not know of the warre over night, yet you shall h it in the morning: and when it comes, it shall last three yeares: betwee Cadron and Aire shall be great warfare, when all the world is as lost, shall be called Chrifts Croft. When the battell begins, it shall be wh (m) Crook-back *Richard* made his fray.

(m) Neer Leicester, where *Richard* the third was slaine in battell, the Colonell *Hastings* was one of the first in armes, endeavouring to the the Commission of Array, in opposition to others that were then setling the Militia.

They shall say, to warfare for your King for halfe a crowne a day, b stir not, (they will say) to warfare for your King on paine of hanging, b stirre not, for he that goes to complaine, shall not come backe again

Th

time will come when England shall tremble and quake for feare of
d man that shall be heard to speake: then will the Dragon give the
a great snap, and when the one is downe they will goe to London
me: Then there will be a great baattell betweene England and Scot-
and they will be pacified for a time, and when they come to Bram-
more they fight and are againe pacified for a time, then there will be a
battell between England and Scotland at Stockmore: Then will
ns sit on the (n) crosse and drinke as much blood of Nobles as of the
mmons, then woe is me, for London shall bee destroyed for ever
r.

(n) It is to be noted and admired, that this Crosse in the North in

er Shiptons dayes was a tall stone Crosse, which ever since hath been by degrees sinking into the ground, and
s sunke so low, that a Raven may sit upon the top of it, and reach her bill to the ground.

There will come a woman with one eye, and she shall tread in many
blood to the knee and a man leaning on a staffe by her, she shall say
im, what art thou? and he shall say, I am the King of Scots, and shee
l say, goe with me to my house, for there are three Knights, and hee
goe with her, and stay there three dayes and three nights, then will
land be lost, and they will cry twice a day England is lost. Then
will be three Knights in Peter-gate in Yorke, and the one shall not
of the other; there shall be a childe borne in Pomfret with three
mbs, and those three Knights will give him three horses (o) to hold
e they winne England, and all Noble blood shall be gone but one;
hey shall carry him to Sheriffe *Huttons* Castle six miles from Yorke,
he shall dye there, and they shall chuse there an Earle in the Field,
hanging their horses on a thorne, and rue the time that ever they
borne to see so much blood shed. Then they will come to York
siege it, and they shall keep them out three dayes and three nights,
penny loafe shall be within the Bar at halfe a crowne, and without
Bar at a penny; and they will sweare if they will not yeeld, to blow
e Towne walls: Then they will let them in, and they will hang up
Major, Sheriffes and Aldermen, and they will goe into Crouch
rch, there will three Knights goe in, and but one come out againe,
he will cause Proclamation to be made, that any man may take house,
, or bower for 21 yeares, and whilest the world endureth, there
never be warfare againe, nor any more Kings or Queenes, but the
dome shall be governed by three Lords, and then Yorke shall bee
don. And after this shall be a white harvest of corne gotten in by
en. Then shall be in the North, that one woman shall say unto ano-
Mother, I have seen a man to day, and for one man there shall be a
and women: there shall be a man sitting on St. *James* Church hill

(o) There is a childe not many yeares since born at Pomfret with three thumbs.

weeping his fill: And after that a Ship came ſailing up the Thames till came againſt London, and the Mr. of the Ship ſhall weep, and the Mariners ſhall aske him why he weepeth, being he hath made ſo good a voyage, and he ſhall ſay; Ah what a goodly City this was, none in the world comparable to it, and now there is left ſcarce any houſe that can let have drinke for our money.

Vnhappy be that lives to ſee theſe dayes,
But happy are the dead Shiptons *wife ſaies.*
In the worlds old age this woman did foretell,
Strange things ſhould hap, which in our times have fell.

Mr. *Truſwels*, Recorder of Lincolne.

THe Lilly ſhall remaine in a merry world, and he ſhall be moved againſt ſeed of the Lyon, and he ſhall ſtand on one ſide amongſt thornes of kingdome and countrey: and there ſhall come the Son of man bearing three beaſts in his Arms, which Kingdome is the Land of the Moone, which bee dread throughout all the world, with a company of people he ſhall paſſe ny waters, and hee ſhall come to the Land of the Lyon, looking for helpe, the beaſts of his owne Countrey: And in that yeare there ſhall come an Eagle of the Eaſt, and his wings ſpread with the beames of the ſon of man: that yeare ſhall bee deſtroyed Caſtles upon Thames, and there ſhall be great over the whole world; and in a part of the Land there ſhall be great batmongſt many kingdomes: That day ſhall be the bloody field and the Lily loſe his Crowne, and therewith ſhall be crowned the Son of man. And fourth yeare, many battels ſhall bee for the faith, and moſt of the world be ſtoopen, but the Son of man with the Eagle ſhall be preferred: and there be univerſall peace over the whole world: then ſhall the Son of man marvellous token, and there ſhall be great plenty of all manner of fruits, then ſhall he goe to the land of the Croſſe.

The Propheſie of old *Sybilla.*

VVHen Scotlands hundred & ninth unconquered King,
The ſixteen hundred thirty and ninth yeare,
Into his age of thirty nine ſhall reigne,
Then ſhall the Papall overthrow appeare,
Which all the Arts of Europe ſhall admire:
For Scotland ſhall that bleſſed worke begin,
Then ſhall the whore of Babell we had here,
Be baniſht quite which Biſhops did bring in.
Then thou brave England which waſt led ſo blinde
By their perverſe Epiſcopall pride,
And Irelands ſhameleſſe ſuperſtitious ſin
Shall be ſuppreſt, who cruelly have cried;
So that, that Sacred Propheteſſe Sybilla,
Shall ſhortly come to paſſe, ſhe tells Tom. Milla.
And I am tell'd me, and I muſt tell't againe,
Through Scotland, England, Ireland, France &

Ignatius Propheſie.

IF eighty eight be paſt, then thrive
Thou mateſt, till thirty foure or five.
After the *E.* is dead, a Scot
Shall governe there: and if a plot
Prevent him not, then ſure his ſway
Continue ſhall till many a day.
The ninth ſhall die young, and the firſt
Perhaps ſhall reigne: but (oh) accurſt
Shall be the time when thou ſhalt ſee
To ſixteen joyned twenty three;
For then the Eagle ſhall have helpe,
By craft to carch the Lions whelpe,
And hurt him ſore, except the ſame

…ed by the Maidens name.
…y month of the same yeare,
…e conjoynes with Jupiter.
…e false Prophets shall arise,
…d Mahomet shall shew his prise.
…are much alteration
…happen in Religion;
…er this truly, if then you see
…niard a Protestant to be.

Merlins Propheſies.

IN Boreas *wings then hither ſhall be born,*
Through Weekore Tweed, a Princely unicorn
…brought into the world his own fair Creſt,
…rampant Lion figured on his breaſt,
…to his arms ſix Lions more ſhall quarter
…ſix French flowers in viron'd with the garter
…ing by fates unchangeable diſpoſe
…Northern Thiſtle to the Southerne Roſe:
…ſhall the true Apoſtolick Faith maintain,
…pious zeale during his bleſſed reigne. be;
…Lincolne was, that London is, that York ſhall
…London prayes thoſe dayes ſhe ne're may ſee.

Propheſies of old *Otwel Bins*, kept by Mr. *Smith* Vicar of Hudderfield 40. years.

THen James *ſhall ſeeke a ſecond Crowne,*
In pulling Pope and Papiſts downe;
…James ſhall vaniſh from their face,
…halſe Elizabeths *Royall race.*
…uſing forraine policies,
…dings and diſcontents ariſe;
…ſhall they aſſemble at the ſeat
…Parliament for a worke moſt great;
…ſtrange opinions there ſhall ſow
…ſentions that too high ſhall grow:
…Laodicea's, Englands Church,
…grace and beauty ſome ſhall lurch;
…Smiths of policie ſhall invent
…caſt new molds of government.
…ile vulgar birds of weakeſt wing
…ſtout againſt their Eagle King.
…ſe juſt integrous heart ſhall prove
…Adamant of Subjects love:
…pride ſhall ſome in priſon locke,
…lop a head off on a block:
…y honeſt power they ſhall bring downe
…aſpirer that aſſum'd a Crowne;
…he whoſe power did laws contemn
Might finde a grave no Diadem.
Some Comicke Scenes ſhall then be acted
By vulgar players much diſtracted;
The Goſpel from a tub or tun,
Shall broached by Mechanicks run.
Petticotes ſhall in Pulpits preach,
And women be allowed to teach;
And in theſe gloomy dogged dayes
They ſhall tear off the Muſes bayes.
Thus ſtrife and jury ſhall encreaſe,
And Round-heads ſhall diſturbe the peace
Of Religion, while they it toſſe
In blankets, and pull downe the Croſſe.
The Browniſts ſhall no old prayers brook,
Sermons ſhall drowne the Service Booke;
Then all men in thoſe times ſhall ſee
Great troubles and calamitie.
Then on the Iriſh bogs and heath,
Many a man ſhall taſte of death.
The ſouldiers wages ſhall encreaſe,
Till wars at laſt in conqueſt ceaſe:
To ſuch as are good Land-lords knowne,
In hoſtile times ſome love is ſhowne:
But for all ſuch as have great ſtore,
Th'are in leſſe ſafety then the poore.
Then twenty pounds of coyne in hand,
Is worth ſo much of yearly land.
From Ireland then there ſhall come one
Muſt loſe his head upon a ſtone:
But when England doth ſwim in flouds
Of plenty and growes proud of goods,
Then from their ſleep they ſhall be waked,
To know themſelves both blinde and naked.
Chriſts Church muſt know ſom miſery,
There ſhall be a doleſull tragedy:
The Lord abroad his ſword will ſend,
Unleſſe they warning take t'amend:
Yet Germany, France and Britany,
This laſt act of my tragedy.
Good dayes will follow, bad ones ceaſe,
There ſhall be plenty and great peace:
The whore of Romes noſe ſhall be ſlit,
And of her rich attire be ſtript:
In the meane time Biſhops ſhall be
Throwne down from all their dignity;
Their Hierarchy and their traine

Shall ne're recover ſtrength againe:
Nor it Romes City only Rome,
But all the Popes dominion;
So that Rome feels herſelfe annoy'd,
While ſhe in Ireland is deſtroy'd:
In forty one by computation,
The Pope ſhall fall by reformation:
A Clergy man ſhall then ſuffice,
His pride with one poore Benefice;
Then Cambridge and the Oxonian
Shall be ſcorn'd by the Rotundian,
And ſome that cannot ſay nor ſing,
Shall drinke much as a troubled ſpring:
And Coblers then ſhall leave their laſt;
In Sermons up their gall to caſt:
Magpies and Parrets then ſhall prate
Both of the Eagle and the State,
Untill they bring things in concluſion,
To much diſorder and confuſion,
Rebels and men moſt ſeditious,
Shall make the time prove pernicious.
Rich men ſhall doe things unbefitting,
An upright Judge be ſcarce found ſitting:
Upſtart honour ſhall ſeem dreames;
And Biſhops Seas prove little ſtreames:
While many a feather'd fowle ſhall flie
Beyond the ſeas for Jeopardy;
Rumours ſhall be of warres and armes,
And there ſhall be of Sects great ſwarmes,
A ſort of mad rude common people,
Shall pull the croſſe from every ſteeple.
The King while they doe thus preſume,
Unto this Realme that right ſhall doome,
He ſhall this Kingdome wiſely guide,
And other Kingdomes more beſide:
Then Peers and Commons ſhall elect,
Whoſe Lawes ſhall ever take effect.
No man ſhall Lawyers counſell crave,
For men at home their right ſhall have;
And officers each towne within,
Shall right their wrongs and puniſh ſin;
Worthies be nine, and reckon we,
And this the tenth and laſt ſhall be:
The Moone obſcur'd full ſixty yeare,
Shall then get light and ſhine full cleare;
While England then for joy ſhall ſing,
And bleſſe the reigne of their good King.

Mr. *Brightmans* Propheſie.

When Englands Church growes Eng
Full of lukewarmnes, glory vain,
The worſt in works, and outward forme,
And with contrary factions torne.
When Romiſh rites by Reformation,
Shall be expell'd out of this Nation,
Lord, beggar, Biſhops then ſhall come
To ruine and be overthrowne.
The Prieſts ſhall be vile to each wite
Their downfall read with much delight;
For God will not them guiltleſſe hold,
That have bene neither hot nor cold.
The Scotch Church ſhall be in condition
A Virgin free from ſuperſtition.
They ſhall be joyn'd in covenant,
'Gainſt which the world ſhall boaſt and vaunt:
But Englands Church muſt feel the ſtorme,
Untill ſhe truly her ſelfe reforme:
Such hurly burly, and ſuch ſtir,
No forme of Church ſhall remaine in her;
But reformation muſt take breath
Form the reigne of Queen Elizabeth.

Another Propheſie very ancient in old Meeter.

IN that ſame yeare that fully ſhall expire,
The ſixth great wonder of the worlds Empire:
Then Tyders * *HEMPE* ſhall end I dare tread,
Then* E ſhall fall, and I ſhall ſtand in ſteade.
In the ſame yeare a great plague ſhall reign,
The which a thouſand dayes ſhall remain:
At *Maries* Maſſe a Court they hold,
The which in bloody inke ſhall be enrolled:
There many a plea ſhall paſſe with brawling words,
And ſhort daggers ſhall be better then long ſwords:
On Hunſloes heath ſoon after ſhall be ſeen
A fierce battell fought by a King I ween:
Of Knights there ſhall be three thouſand there,
Of which there ſhall but ten back againe appeare:
There ſhall many a battell and brawle be,
And then a huge hoſt ſhall paſſe over the Sea,
Concluding a peace: but in this wiſe,
Betwixt two C. C. two L. L. ſo long ſhall laſt two I.

FINIS.